## Message Text

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"MY GOVERNMENT HAS ASKED ME TO GIVE YOU THIS

FORMAL NOTIFICATION OF THE RECALL OF MR. C. WILLIAM KONTOS WHO HAS BEEN SERVING, ON SECONDMENT FROM THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, AS DEPUTY COMMISSIONER-GENERAL FOR UNRWA.

"MR. KONTOS' SERVICES ARE URGENTLY REQUIRED IN WASHINGTON FOR A VERY SENIOR POST IN THE DEPARTMENT

OF STATE FOR WHICH HE IS UNIQUELY QUALIFIED. WE GREATLY APPRECIATE THE COOPERATION AND UNDERSTANDING YOU HAVE DISPLAYED IN CONNECTION WITH HIS DEPARTURE, PARTICULARLY ON SUCH SHORT NOTICE, AND REGRET THE INCONVENIENCE THIS MAY HAVE CAUSED YOU.

"WE ALSO WISH TO THANK YOU FOR THE ALACRITY WITH WHICH YOU SELECTED MR. MCELHINEY AS MR. KONTOS' REPLACEMENT. WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO PUT HIS MANY TALENTS TO GOOD USE IN THE UNRWA PROGRAM.

"IN CLOSING, LET ME AGAIN EXPRESS, ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, OUR SINCERE GRATITUDE FOR YOUR PATIENCE AND UNDERSTANDING.

3. AMEMBASSY BEIRUT REQUESTED FURNISH DEPARTMENT (IO) WITH HARD COPY OF LETTER WHEN DISPATCHED. RUSH

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